



Virginia

Former Nansemond Ordnance Depot

Facility and Location

Former Nansemond Ordnance Depot (FNOD) is a Formerly Used Defense Site (FUDS) located in Suffolk, at the mouth of the Nansemond and James Rivers. The depot is approximately 975 acres. It was acquired by the Army between 1917 and 1928.

FNOD played an important role in the storage and shipment of various types of munitions during both World War I and World War II. In the 1950s, the Navy operated the facility, but it was transferred from federal ownership in the 1960s. Currently, the site is occupied by Tidewater Community College, General Electric, Ashley Capital, Dominion Lands Inc., Lockheed Martin, Suffolk Towers LLC, Continental Bridgeway, SYSCO Food Services, the city of Suffolk, the Hampton Roads Sanitation District, and the Virginia Department of Transportation.

Media Sampled and Findings

Groundwater — Prior to 2007, three samples taken at a site believed to have the highest levels of munitions-related contamination reported no detection. Perchlorate is not listed as a constituent related to any of the ordnance items identified or documented to have ever been present at the FNOD property.

Appropriate Actions

Not Applicable. All samples were below the EPA and DoD Preliminary Remediation Goal of 15 ppb.